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FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FOR SECRETARY FROM PRESIDENT SENGHOR

1. I HAVE JUST RECEIVED THE FOLLOWING LETTER DATED  
SEPTEMBER 28 FROM PRESIDENT SENGHOR ADDRESSED TO  
THE SECRETARY:

QUOTE: DEAR MR. SECRETARY OF STATE:

I THANK YOU FOR HAVING SENT ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE  
REINHARDT TO DAKAR TO INFORM ME OF THE RESULTS ACHIEVED BY  
YOUR SECOND MISSION TO SOUTHERN AFRICA.

ALLOW ME TO WARMLY CONGRATULATE YOU ON THE RESULTS  
OBTAINED. IN FACT THROUGHOUT THE THIRTY YEARS THAT I HAVE  
BEEN INVOLVED IN THE AFFAIRS OF STATE, I HAVE ALWAYS  
THOUGHT THAT IN THE STRUGGLE FOR NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE ONE  
SHOULD RESORT TO WAR ONLY IF A DIALOGUE WITH THE OTHER SIDE  
WERE IMPOSSIBLE. YOU HAVE OPENED THE DOOR TO A PEACEFUL  
SOLUTION FOR RHODESIA, IF NOT FOR ALL OF SOUTHERN AFRICA.

NO MATTER WHAT RESULTS FROM THE ANGLO-AMERICAN  
EFFORTS FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM,  
HISTORY WILL GIVE YOU CREDIT. AND AFRICA ALSO, I HOPE.

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YOU WILL FIND ATTACHED A COPY OF THE DECLARATION I

MADE THIS MORNING AT THE CABINET MEETING. I THINK THAT, GIVEN THE GRAVITY OF THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA, EACH AFRICAN CHIEF OF STATE SHOULD ACCEPT HIS RESPONSIBILITIES.

I RENEW TO YOU MY CONGRATULATIONS, AND ASK YOU TO BE ASSURED, MR. SECRETARY OF STATE, OF MY HIGH AND CORDIAL CONSIDERATION.

LEOPOLD SEDAR SENGHOR

2. SENGHOR'S DECLARATION, WHICH IS CARRIED IN PRESS TODAY  
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